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Request for Data on Local Worker Hiring Efforts

Ever since the billion dollar Los Angeles County Medical Center Replacement Project, the Board of Supervisors has embraced local worker hiring efforts. Local worker hiring efforts can stimulate local job creation and economic opportunities for County residents on publicly financed public works projects.

The Board of Supervisors is currently evaluating entering into a Project Labor Agreement (PLA) for the Martin Luther King, Jr. Multi-Service Ambulatory Care Center (MLK – MACC) as a means of achieving optimal employment outcomes for Los Angeles County residents. At the same time, the Board is pursuing Local Worker Hiring efforts at the Harbor-UCLA Emergency Surgery Replacement Project and the South Health Center Replacement Project without the benefit of Project Labor Agreements.

Data currently being collected by the Department of Public Works on these voluntary efforts could shed insight on these deliberations. Further, this data could provide the general public with objective, empirical data by which to measure the effectiveness of the County's Local Worker Hire efforts absent a PLA.

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I THEREFORE MOVE THAT THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS:

1. Direct the Chief Executive Officer, in consultation with the Director of the Department of Public Works, to make available to all Board of Supervisors' offices data on Local Worker Hire efforts for the Harbor-UCLA Emergency Surgery Replacement Project and the South Health Center Replacement Project. This data should include, but not be limited to:
 - a) A description of each project's local worker hiring targets and/or requirements, if any;
 - b) The total estimated number of construction hours that will be expended to conclude the projects;
 - c) The number and percentage of construction hours completed to date;
 - d) The number and percentage of construction hours performed by journey, apprentice and non-apprentice-level construction workers by ethnicity and gender;
 - e) The percentage of the job that is being sub-contracted by the prime contractor to date, their status as a Small Business Enterprise (SBE) and the estimated dollar value of the sub-contract(s);
 - f) Whether these workers employed by SBE's are under a collective bargaining agreement;
 - g) The percentage of the workforce residing within a 5, 10 and 15 mile radius of the project site or within ZIP Codes with unemployment rates equal to or exceeding 150 percent of the county average rate of unemployment; and
 - h) The percentage of the project workforce who are County and/or non-County residents.

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2. Direct the Chief Executive Officer and the Director of the Department of Public Works to report this data every two weeks for the duration of the projects; and
3. Direct the Chief Executive Officer, the Chief Information Officer and the Director of Public Works to post these reports on the Department of Public Work's website.

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